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1 7CJAAMAGP Plea 112233445566778899 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, ٧. 07 SD 312 (RLE) SANTO C. MAGGIO. Defendant. -----X New York, N.Y. December 19, 2007 11:30 a.m. 10 10 Before: 11 HON. RONALD L. ELLIS, 12 12 13 Magistrate Judge  $\overline{13}$ 14 **APPEARANCES** 14 15 15 16 JAMES B. COMEY United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York 16 17 17 18 18 19 19 **NEIL BAROFSKY** CHRISTOPHER GARCIA Assistant United States Attorney PAUL SHECHTMAN Attorney for Defendant Maggio 20 20 21 22 23 SCOTT E. HERSHMAN Attorney for Defendant Maggio 24 25 SOUTHERN DISTRICT REPORTERS, P.C. (212) 805-0300 2 7CJAAMAGP Plea 123456789 (Case called) MR. BAROFSKY: Neil Barofsky and Christopher Garcia for the government. Good morning, your Honor.
MR. SCHECTMAN: Paul Shechtman, for Mr. Maggio, with
Scott Hershman, for Mr. Maggio. THE COURT: Okay. I understand that he is going to be pleading to an information. MR. SCHECTMAN: Correct, your Honor. THE COURT: Has he waived indictment yet? 10

MR. SCHECTMAN: You have the paperwork. We're ready

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                  THE COURT: We will do those separately. Treat the
       waiver as it should be and then I'll consider the taking of the
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                  MR. SCHECTMAN: Sounds right.
                  COURTROOM DEPUTY: You are Santo Maggio?
                  THE DEFENDANT: Yes.
                  COURTROOM DEPUTY: Have you signed this waiver of
       indictment.
                  THE DEFENDANT: Yes.
                  COURTROOM DEPUTY: Before you signed it did you
       discussion it with your attorney?
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                  THE DEFENDANT:
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                  COURTROOM DEPUTY: Did he explain it to you?
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                  THE DEFENDANT:
                                     Yes.
                  THE COURT: Do you understand what you are doing?
                  THE DEFENDANT: Yes.
                  COURTROOM DEPUTY: Do you understand that you are
       under no obligation to waive indictment?
                  THE DEFENDANT: Yes.
                  COURTROOM DEPUTY: Do you understand that if you do
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       not waive indictment, if the government wants to prosecute you they will have to present this case to a grand jury which may
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       or may not indict you?
                  THE DEFENDANT: Yes.
                  THE COURT: Do you realize by that by signing this
       waiver of indictment you have given up your right to have this
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       case presented to a grand jury?
                  THE DEFENDANT: Yes, I do.
                  COURTROOM DEPUTY: Have you seen a copy of the
       information?
                  THE DEFENDANT: Yes, I did.
                  THE COURT: Would you like for me to read it to you?
                  THE DEFENDANT: No.
                  COURTROOM DEPUTY: How do you plead?
                  THE DEFENDANT: Guilty.
                  COURTROOM DEPUTY: The case has already been assigned
       to Judge Stein.
                  MR. SCHECTMAN: Correct.
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                  MR. BAROVSKY:
                                    Your Honor, we consent to the defendant
       being released on his own recognizance.
       MR. SCHECTMAN: We don't object to that.
THE COURT: Technically to the information you are supposed to plead "not guilty".
MR. SCHECTMAN: I think that is right and it is my
       apologies.
                  THE DEFENDANT: I plead not guilty now and then later
       of guilty.
                  MR. SCHECTMAN: Not guilty at this time, your Honor,
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       but we will be entering a guilty plea.

THE COURT: Objection. All right. Now, the actual plea has been referred by Judge Stein; is that it?
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                  MR. BAROFSKY: Yes, your Honor.
THE COURT: And how many counts in the information?
                  MR. BAROFSKY:
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                  MR. BAROFSKY: Your Honor, there are four counts.
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                  THE COURT: What is he pleading to?
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             MR. BAROFSKY: All four counts, Judge.
THE COURT: Okay. Mr. Maggio, this matter has been referred to me before Judge Stein for the purpose of taking your plea. Did you consent to proceed before a United States magistrate judge on your felony plea allocution?
THE DEFENDANT: Yes.
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                                  THE COURT: Before you signed it did you discuss it
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                                  THE DEFENDANT: Yes, your Honor. THE COURT: Did they explain it to you?
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                                  THE DEFENDANT: Yes.
                                  THE COURT: Do you understand that you have an
              absolute right to have this proceeding before a United States
              district judge?
                                  THE DEFENDANT: Yes, I do.
THE COURT: You are voluntarily proceeding before a
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              United States magistrate judge?
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                                  THE DEFENDANT:
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              THE COURT: Mr. Maggio, you are charged in a four count information. Count One of the information charges you,
             count information. Count One of the information charges you, well, conspiracy to commit securities fraud, wire fraud, bank fraud and money laundering and to make false filings with the SEC and material misstatements to auditors in violation of Title 18 U.S.C. Sections 371. This crime carries a maximum sentence of five years imprisonment, a maximum fine which is the greatest of either $250,5000 or twice the gross pecuniary gain derived from the offense or twice the gross pecuniary loss
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             to persons other than yourself as a result of the offense. There is a $100 special assessment and a term of supervised release of three years.

Counts Two and Three of the information charge you with securities fraud in violation of Title 15 U.S.C. Section 78 (J) (B) and 78 (F) (F) and Title 17 Code of Federal SOUTHERN DISTRICT REPORTERS, P.C.
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             Regulations Section 240, 10 (B) (5) and each of those counts carries a maximum sentence of 20 years imprisonment, a maximum fine which is the greatest of either five million dollars or
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             twice the gross pecuniary gain derived from the offense and twice the gross pecuniary loss of persons other than yourself as a result of the offense. Each also has a $100 special
             assessment and a term of supervised release of three years.

Count four of the information charges you with wire
              fraud in violation of Title 18 U.S.C. Section 1343 and carries
             a maximum sentence of 0 years imprisonment, a maximum fine which is the greatest of either $250,000 or twice the gross
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             pecuniary gain derived from the offense, or twice the gross pecuniary loss to person others than yourself as a result of the offense. It carries a $100 special assessment and a term of supervised release of three years.
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             information is 65 years imprisonment. In addition to the
             foregoing the Court must order restitution with respect to the
              information and in accordance with U.S.C.
             In addition, if you are sentenced to any period of supervised release and violate the conditions of your supervised release you may be sentenced to all or part of the
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       supervised release as authorized by statute without any credit
       for time already served on supervised release.
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                   THE DEFENDANT: Yes.
                   THE COURT: So you understand these penalties as I've
       read them to you?
                   THE DEFENDANT: Yes, I do.
                   THE COURT: Have you seen a copy of the information in
       which the government makes these charges against you?
                   THE DEFENDANT:
                                      Yes, I do.
                   THE COURT: Have you discussed it with your attorneys?
                   THE DEFENDANT: Yes, your Honor.
                  THE COURT: Are you prepared to enter a plea today? THE DEFENDANT: Yes, I am.
THE COURT: Santo Maggio, how do you plead?
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                   THE DEFENDANT: Guilty.
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                   THE COURT: Mr. Maggio, before I can recommend that
       your plea be accepted I must determine that you understand the
       plea and its consequences, that the plea is voluntary and that there's a factual basis for the plea. For that purpose I must ask you a number of questions and your answers must be under oath. Do you understand that the answers you give under oath may subject you to prosecution for perjury if you do not tell
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       the truth?
                   THE DEFENDANT: Yes, I do.
                                 Raise your right hand.
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                   (Defendant Santo C. Maggio sworn)
                  THE COURT: Thank you. Please state your full name SOUTHERN DISTRICT REPORTERS, P.C.
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       for record.
                   THE DEFENDANT:
                                      Santo C. Maggio.
                  THE COURT: How far did you go in school? THE DEFENDANT: I finished high school.
                   THE COURT: Are you currently being treated by a
       doctor or psychiatrist for any reason?
                   THE DEFENDANT:
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                   THE COURT:
                                 Are you currently on any medications which
       might effect you in being alert for this proceeding?
                   THE DEFENDANT: No.
                                 Are you any difficulty seeing, hearing or
                   THE COURT:
       understanding anything that I am saying?
                   THE DEFENDANT: No.
                   THE COURT: Have you had enough time to discuss with
       your attorneys how you wish to plead?
                   THE DEFENDANT:
                                      Yes.
                   THE COURT: Are you satisfied with your attorneys?
                   THE DEFENDANT: Yes.
                   THE COURT: Do you understand what the government says
       that you did?
                   THE DEFENDANT: Yes.
                   THE COURT: Do you understand that have you a right to
       plead not guilty?
                   THE DEFENDANT:
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                   THE COURT: Do you understand that you have a right to
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THE COURT: Do you understand that if you are to plead not guilty and go to trial you would be presumed innocent until the government proved your guilt beyond a reasonable doubt?

THE DEFENDANT: Yes, I do.

THE COURT: Do you understand that if you were to go to trial you would have a number of important constitutional rights including the right to be represented by counsel and to have counsel appointed for you if you cannot afford an attorney? THE DEFENDANT: Yes. THE COURT: Do you understand that at trial you cannot be forced to testify against yourself? 13 14 15 16 17 THE DEFENDANT: Yes. THE COURT: Do you understand at a trial you would have the right to confront and cross-examine witnesses called 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 by the government? THE DEFENDANT: Yes. THE COURT: Do you understand that at a trial you would have the right to testify yourself and to call witnesses on your behalf and to compel their attendance by subpoena if necessary? THE DEFENDANT: Yes. THE COURT: Do you understand that if your guilty plea SOUTHERN DISTRICT REPORTERS, P.C. (212) 805-0300 10 7CJAAMAGP Plea is accepted there will be no trial of any kind and the only remaining steps in your case will be a presentence report and sentencing by Judge Stein? THE DEFENDANT: Yes.
THE COURT: Have you discussed with your attorney the 5 6 7 8 9 role that the sentencing guidelines play in sentencing? THE DEFENDANT: Yes. THE COURT: Do you understand that the district judge will retain discretion regardless of what calculations there 10 are under the guidelines? 11 12 13 THE DEFENDANT: Yes. THE COURT: Do you understand that the calculation under the guidelines will take into account a number of factors including the actual conduct in which you engaged, any victims of the offense, the role that you played in the offense, 14 15 16 17 whether or not you have accepted responsibility for your acts, whether you have any criminal history or whether you have 18 19 20 21 engaged in any obstruction of justice; do you understand that? THE DEFENDANT: Yes. THE COURT: Between now and the date of sentencing the probation department will conduct an investigation and will prepare a presentence report. Your attorney, the government and Judge Stein will receive copies. Both your attorney and the government will have the opportunity to object if they 22 23 24 believe anything in the report is inaccurate; do you understand SOUTHERN DISTRICT REPORTERS, P.C. (212) 805-0300 11 **7CJAAMAGP** Plea

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THE DEFENDANT: Yes.

THE COURT: Do you understand that until the Page 5

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         presentence report is prepared neither your attorney nor the government, nor Judge Stein will be able to determine precisely
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         what range of penalties will be calculated under the
         quidelines.
                      THE DEFENDANT: Yes.
                      THE COURT: Do you understand than regardless of
        calculation and the guidelines your sentence cannot exceed the maximums that I advised you of earlier?

THE DEFENDANT: Yes.
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                      THE COURT: Do you understand that under certain
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         circumstances both you and the government may have the right to
         appeal the sentence imposed.
                      THE DEFENDANT:
        THE COURT: Do you understand that if the sentence is more severe than you expected you will be bound by your guilty plea and will not be permitted to withdraw it?
                      THE DEFENDANT:
                                            Yes.
        THE COURT: You understand that parole has been abolished and that if you are sentenced to any term of imprisonment you will be required to serve the entire term?
                      THE DEFENDANT: Yes.
                     THE COURT: Mr. Maggio, are you a citizen of the SOUTHERN DISTRICT REPORTERS, P.C.
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        United States?
                     THE DEFENDANT: Yes, I am.
                     THE COURT: Mr. Maggio, I have been handed up a plea
        agreement from your case. Have you had an opportunity to
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         review and go over this agreement with your attorneys?
                     THE DEFENDANT: Yes.
                      THE COURT: Do you understand that one of the
        provisions in the plea agreement is that you admit the forfeiture allegation in the information and that you agree to forfeit to the United States a sum of money equal to two
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        billion, four hundred million dollars?
                     THE DEFENDANT: Yes.
                     THE COURT: That is what it says, right?
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                     MR. BAROFSKY: Yes, your Honor, that number is
        correct.
        Your Honor, the plea cooperation agreement also provides, however, that in satisfaction of that amount there are certain schedules attached to the plea agreement which the
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        government will accept in satisfaction of that judgment.
                     MR. SCHECTMAN: We don't have quite that much. your
        Honor.
                     THE COURT: Okay. I thought had I too many zeros
        myself at first.
                     MR. SCHECTMAN: No, you read it right.
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                     THE COURT: That represents the amount of the SOUTHERN DISTRICT REPORTERS, P.C.
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        proceedings obtained as a result of the offense; do you
        understand that?
                     THE DEFENDANT: Yes.
        THE COURT: You also understand that any forfeiture would not be treated as satisfaction of any fine, restitution, cause of imprisonment or any other penalty the Court may
        impose?
                     THE DEFENDANT:
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                     THE COURT: And as indicated in the agreement, there
        is a scheduled pay of assets. You have seen the schedule and you have gone over it with your attorneys?
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                     THE DEFENDANT: Yes.
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                     THE COURT: To make sure that it's accurate?
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                     THE DEFENDANT:
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        MR. SCHECTMAN: Judge, I might point out for the record there is a Schedule B as well, which are assets that are in Mrs.~Maggio's name that are being forfeited as part of the
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        plea and there is a separate agreement that need not concern
        your Honor in this matter involving Mrs.~Maggio.
                     THE COURT: Is that correct, Mr. Maggio, there is also
        a Schedule B?
                     THE DEFENDANT: Yes.
                     THE COURT: That's Mrs.~Maggio's assets?
                     THE DEFENDANT: Yes.
                     THE COURT: That is also covered by the agreement that SOUTHERN DISTRICT REPORTERS, P.C.
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        you made with the government?
                     THE DEFENDANT:
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        provides that you cooperate fully with the United States attorney's office?
        THE DEFENDANT: Yes.
THE COURT: And that in exchange for that cooperation, assuming that the office determines that you have made full and
        accurate disclosures to them, the government has agreed that it
        will submit a motion pursuant to Section 5K1.1 of the
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        sentencing guidelines in your favor?
                     THE DEFENDANT:
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        THE COURT: Do you understand that if for any reason the government determines that it will not file such a motion you will not be allowed to withdraw your plea?
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                     THE DEFENDANT:
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                     THE COURT: You understand that even if the government
        files such a motion sentencing will still be at the sole
        discretion of the Court?
                     THE DEFENDANT: Yes, I did.
        THE COURT: Is there anything else in the agreement that I might want to highlight?

MR. BAROFSKY: No, your Honor.

THE COURT: All right. Other than the representations in this agreement, have any promises been made to you by anyone SOUTHERN DISTRICT REPORTERS, P.C.
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        to influence you to plead guilty? THE DEFENDANT: No.
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                     THE COURT: This constitutes the sole agreement that
        you have?
                     THE DEFENDANT: Yes.
                     THE COURT: Has anyone promised you a specific
        sentence if you plead guilty?
                     THE DEFENDANT: No.
                     THE COURT: Has anyone made any threats to you to
        influence you to plead guilty?
THE DEFENDANT: No.
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                     THE COURT: Are you making this plea voluntarily of
        your own freewill and choice?
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THE DEFENDANT: Yes, I am. THE COURT: The elements of the offense is? MR. BAROFSKY: Your Honor, for Counts One defendant's is charged with conspiracy. The government would be required to prove each of the elements beyond a reasonable doubt. First, that there is an assistance of a an agreement or understanding to commit one of the objects charged in the information.

Second, the defendant knowingly became a member of that agreement or understanding.

And third, that one of the conspirators or coconspirators or Mr. Maggio knowingly committed at least one SOUTHERN DISTRICT REPORTERS, P.C.

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With respect to the securities frauds counts in two and three, first, the defendant in connection with the purchase and three, first, the defendant in connection with the purchase or sale of securities, here the notes that are described in Count Two and the common stock of Revko that's referenced in Count Three did one or more of the following: Employed a devise, scheme or artifice to defraud or made an untrue statement of a material fact or admitted to state a material fact which made what was said under the circumstances misleading or engaged in an act, practice or course of business that operated or would operate as a fraud or deceit upon a purchase of a seller for securities.

Second the defendant acted knowingly, willfully with

Second the defendant acted knowingly, willfully with the intent to defraud.

And third, the defendant used or caused to be used any means or instruments of transportation or communication in interstate commerce or use of the mails in furtherance of that fraudulent conduct.

and with respect to the Count Four wire fraud, first, that there was a scheme or artifice to defraud that existence the defendant must have participated in the scheme with the intent to defraud misrepresentations or omissions must have related to a material fact, that the scheme was executed to obtain money or property.

And finally, that in execution of the scheme the SOUTHERN DISTRICT REPORTERS, P.C. (212) 805-0300

defendant used or caused to be used interstate wires or that

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such use was reasonably foreseeable to him.

THE COURT: Mr. Maggio, did you hear that recitation? Yes. THE DEFENDANT: THE COURT: Did you understand that if the government were to proceed to trial against you it would have the burden of proving each element for each offense, that is, each count beyond a reasonable doubt. THE DEFENDANT: Yes. THE COURT: Did you commit the offenses for which you have been charged, Mr. Maggio? THE DEFENDANT: Yes.

THE DEFENDANT: YES.

THE COURT: Tell me what you did.

MR. SCHECTMAN: Judge, if it's acceptable to you

Mr. Maggio has written out a statement that I think speaks to all four crimes.

THE COURT: Considering the complexities here I'll allow him to read and then if it's not he could fill in the Page 8

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gaps.  $\bar{20}$ THE DEFENDANT: Your Honor, from the late 1990s to 21 22 23 October 2005 I was a senior executive at Revko Ink. During that period I participated with others to hide the true financial health of Revko from banks, counter-parties, auditors and investors. With my knowledge and active participation 24 Revko's substantial losses were covered up as revenues padded SOUTHERN DISTRICT REPORTERS, P.C. (212) 805-0300 18 7CJAAMAGP Plea and certain operating expenses were moved off its book. Among the acts I personally engaged in the signing of loan agreements referencing paragraphs 61-D and 61-P of the indictment. 4 As a result of my conduct and that of my coconspirators false financial statements were issued to obtain debt financing from the public including 9 percent senior subordinated notes referenced in Count Two of the indictment.

To consummate the sale of 57 percent of Revko to a group headed by Thomas H. Lee in 2004 and to obtain \$800 million in bank financing the same year and to effect the Revko initial public offering in 2005. 5 6 7 8 10 initial public offering in 2005. Moreover, with my knowledge false financial statements were filed with the SEC including 11 12 13 form 10K referencing Count Four. The mails and interstate wires were used as part of the fraudulent scheme. 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 I deeply regret my conduct and the harm that it has caused. THE COURT: First of all, with respect to all of the activities that you've indicate you participated in it knowingly? THE DEFENDANT: Yes. THE COURT: Okay. Where did this take place. THE DEFENDANT: In New York, New York. Manhattan, New York. THE COURT: You said coconspirators, so other people had agreed with you to effectuate this scheme? 25 SOUTHERN DISTRICT REPORTERS, P.C. (212) 805-0300 19 7CJAAMAGP Plea 12345678910112 131451677 THE DEFENDANT: Yes. THE COURT: And the intent of this scheme was to defraud? THE DEFENDANT: Yes. THE COURT: Now, I know you mentioned the notes and I think you mentioned the 2005 initial offering that was addressed to Count Three of the information, that is, whether or not you had a scheme to defraud people based on the value of the stock? THE DEFENDANT: Correct, your Honor. THE COURT: Mr. Maggio? NT: Yes. That did involve false statements? THE DEFENDANT: THE COURT: THE DEFENDANT: Yes THE COURT: False filings that you've indicated? THE DEFENDANT: Yes. THE COURT: Now, you said you used the mails which interstate -- I mean, you used the mails, a phone? How did you 18 19 20 use --THE DEFENDANT: Yes, used regular mail. We used Express Mail. We used e-mail all to effect the scheme.

THE COURT: You submitted false statements in the 21

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                                       THE DEFENDANT: False statements, loan agreements as
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                       referenced here, yes.
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                       THE COURT: Okay. Any --
MR. BAROFSKY: Your Honor, I'll just represent to the
Court that with respect to Count Four, the wire transmission
did in fact originate in the Southern District of New York in
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                       Manhattan and was wired outside of the Southern District to
                       Virginia.
                                       THE COURT: Anything else?
                                       MR. SCHECTMAN: Nothing, your Honor. MR. BAROFSKY: No, your Honor.
                      THE COURT: I am depending on you here. Does any either counsel know of any reason why I should not recommend that this plea not be accepted?

MR. BAROFSKY: No, your Honor.

MR. SCHECTMAN: No, your Honor.

THE COURT: Based on defendant's allocution and the
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                       recommendations by the government I find that the defendant
                      understands the nature, the charges and consequences of his guilty plea. I also find that the plea is voluntary and that there is a factual basis for the plea. I, therefore, recommend that the plea be accepted and direct that a presentence report be reaped.
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                                       Sentencing will take place before Judge Stein on.
                                       MR. BAROFSKY: May 9, at 2 p.m.
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                       addressed today.
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                                       MR. BAROVSKY: Not from the government, your Honor. MR. SCHECTMAN: Not from the offense.
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                                       THE COURT: We are adjourned.
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